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US Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, DC 20460

RE:

TSCA Section 8(e) Notice

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This notice is being submitted by Rhône-Poulenc Ag Company (RPAC) to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the provisions of Section 8(e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 USC § 2607 (e).

We are submitting the results from a toxicity study in rats on

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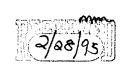
this compound have been synthesized for research and development purposes.

RPAC claims the alpha-numeric designation and the specific chemical identity of the substance at issue to be confidential business information (CBI). The chemical substance may be nonconfidentially identified as a "heterocycle".

Test material was administered by gavage at doses of 1, 5, and 15 mg/kg/day (7 male rats/group) for 14 days. Decreases in thyroxine and increases in liver weight were observed at 5 and 15 mg/kg/day. Thyroid stimulating hormone was increased at 15 mg/kg/day. Hepatic hypertrophy and mitosis were reported at 5 and 15 mg/kg/day and thyroid follicular hyperplasia was noted at all doses.

### SUPPORT INFORMATION OF CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIMS

- 1. Claims of confidentiality are being made on behalf of RPAC.
- 2. RPAC asserts this claim of confidentiality until such time as a specific chemical is approved for use in the United States. In the event that the chemical is never approved, RPAC asserts that the CBI information should be provided permanent protection. The structure and use of the chemical are unique. Disclosure of this information would provide our competitors with information on facets of our business that would be detrimental to our competitive position.



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- 3. The information claimed as confidential has not been previously disclosed to any other governmental agency or to EPA.
- 4. This information has been disclosed to only a very limited number of investigators outside of RPAC who have performed either toxicity or efficacy testing. These individuals operate under a strict secrecy agreement. Any individuals who may work with the chemical will have all health/toxicology information disclosed to them as well, but only on the basis of strict secrecy and respect for the CBI nature of the information.
- 5. Any individuals to whom the CBI is revealed are warned of the nature of the information. Further, they are informed of their obligations to maintain secrecy should they terminate their employment with RPAC.
- 6. None of the information claimed as confidential appears in or is referred to in any advertising or promotional materials for the chemical or the end product containing it, professional or trade publications, or any other media available to the public or to our competitors. Appropriate warnings <u>do</u> appear on safety data sheets, as RPAC considers that individuals who are requested to work with the chemicals have every right to know as much about the chemicals' toxicity as possible. Further, the information is only considered to be CBI with respect to the general public, insofar as our competitors could use the information in an unfairly competitive nature.
- 7. No previous confidentiality determinations have been made by EPA, other Federal agencies or courts in connection with this information.
- 8. RPAC believes that disclosure of this information to the general public would be likely to result in substantial harm to its competitive position. Disclosure of the alpha numeric designation and chemical name would provide some competitors with information about the specific chemistry of this area of our research and our business. Further, the type of toxicological testing being reported in the TSCA 8(e) notice would provide competitive information about this chemical's status in the research and development process and, therefore, the time remaining until commercialization.
- 9. A patent has not been issued for the specific chemical structure. However, the generic chemical structure is covered by a patent that is currently pending.
- 10. The chemical is not available commercially. It is in the earliest stages of research and development for pesticide use and is unlikely to be developed into a commercial product.
- 11. We believe that disclosure of the chemical name would allow a competitor to synthesize this chemical. RPAC has invested a large amount of time and money into research of this particular chemical family, and information on specific chemical structures would harm our competitive position.
- 12. Disclosure of the chemical structure might reveal information on processes used to synthesize this compound.
- CAS number has not yet been assigned.
- 14. Currently, the chemical is not the subject of FIFRA regulation or reporting.

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Further questions regarding this submission may be directed to the undersigned at 919-549-2222.

Sincerely,

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pour organization under Section { (e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). For your reference, copies of the first page(s) of your submission(s) are enclosed and display the TSCA §8(e) Document Control Number (e.g., 8EHQ-00-0000) assigned by EPA to your submission(s). Please cite the assigned 8(e) number when submitting follow-up or supplemental information and refer to the reverse side of this page for "EPA Information Requests".

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Please address any further correspondence with the Agency related to this TSCA 8(e) submission to:

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Attn: TSCA Section 8(e) Coordinator
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, D.C. 20460-0001

EPA looks forward to continued cooperation with your organization in its ongoing efforts to evaluate and manage potential risks posed by chemicals to health and the environment.

Sincerely,

Terry R. O'Bryan

Risk Analysis Branch

Enclosure

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SUBACUTE ORAL TOXICITY IN MALE RATS IS OF HIGH CONCERN. DOSAGES (GAVAGE, 14 DAYS, 7/GROUP) WERE 1 MG/KG/DAY; 5 MG/KG/DAY; AND 15 MG/KG/DAY. MORTALITY INCIDENCES WERE NOT REPORTED. AT 5 AND 15 MG/KG/DAY, PATHOLOGICAL SIGNS INCLUDED DECREASED THYROXINE AND INCREASED LIVER WEIGHT; AND HEPATIC HYPERTROPHY AND MITOSIS WERE OBSERVED. AT 15 MG/KG/DAY, THERE WAS INCREASED THYROID STIMULATING HORMONES. AT ALL DOSE LEVELS, THYROID FOLLICULAR HYPERPLASIA WAS NOTED.